

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The special passenger will leave at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

The tax levy this year is twenty-five mills for state, county and school purposes.

The steamer D. S. Baker, was taken to Crater's point to-day and placed in winter quarters.

The day has been one of the genuine early spring variety; a mixture of sunshine and of showers.

The A. O. U. W., will have a Christmas tree in their hall Christmas night. It will be fringed principally for the children of the members of the order.

Two traps were arrested last night for being out after hours and were presented with three days work by his honor Recorder Knaggs.

Mr. C. E. Haight's name appears among the United States trial jurors summoned to appear in the Circuit court to Portland January 6th, 1891.

Some teamster lost his bed (not the wagon's) on the lower road yesterday evening. A gentleman coming in found it and left the same at Moody's warehouse.

Masters Ed and Vivian French, sons of J. W. French who have been attending school at Berkeley, California, arrived home last night to remain during the holidays.

Eighty families passed through the other day on one train. They came from Arkansas and were bound for Gray's Harbor.

Dr. Shackelford, Alexander McLeod, and J. O. Mack, have been appointed by the Probate court to appraise the property of the late Daniel Handley, and will commence work Monday.

The ladies who are conducting the Methodist church fair announce that it will be continued all day to-morrow. It has been a success so far but many articles remain to be sold, and the excellent meals continue to be served.

Sixteen one-hundredths of an inch of rain fell Sunday night and Wednesday night four hundredths. The rain did not extend south any great distance, being confined to the country near the Columbia.

Mr. Joseph Wilson, of Hood River, made us a pleasant call yesterday on his way home from Grant. He is secretary of the Hood River Townsite Company, and informs us that property is moving at a rapid rate, about \$1,000 worth being sold by the company this week.

The deed of Mary Laughlin, B. F. Laughlin, W. Lord, Elizabeth Lord and S. C. Laughlin to the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company, to lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 15, Laughlin's addition to Dalles City, was filed for record to-day. It had been recorded once, but crops up again for record.

Engine 373 which was in the collision at Coyote, with the tank of engine 449, and the scrap pile and wreck, passed through to Albina this morning. One box car, was on top of a coal car placed there in the wreck, and shipped to Portland just as it was. The engine was badly demoralized and many of the cars were convincing evidence of the force of the collision.

Victor Marden, Leo Schanno and Leo Bruen all arrived home from Bishop Scott's school at Portland last night. The young gentlemen are looking well and in their bearing show their military training. They will, no doubt, enjoy their brief holiday with that keen zest which close application to their books will lend their temporary freedom. The Dalles is justly proud of her boys, and these three will, we feel sure, add to her pride.

Three deeds of The Dalles Mill & Water Company, to Dalles City were filed this morning covering all their rights of way, and water right and the mill site and mill. This is the end of the question, and now that it is settled, the quicker work is begun and the upper portion of the city supplied with water, the better. The matter has kept our citizens in a turmoil for a long time, and has seriously retarded our growth. Now that it is settled let us accept it as it is and drop the subject.

Mr. Lewis Stump and son of Camas prairie were in town yesterday. They are the boss bear hunters of the state and have a pack of seven hounds, all first-class runners and good bear dogs, and when they get after a bear, followed by "Old Stump" and "The Kid," bruin has a very poor show for his life or liberty. They have killed this season forty-three bears, not counting the one that Charley Haight and W. K. Stewart surrounded, or the one that they didn't.

Yesterday in the hurry of going to press a galley of type got in its deadly work, and took up its position in our columns without having been interviewed by our proof reader. A short paragraph that belonged under a marriage notice crawled up under four carloads of sheep and one of hogs and calmly rode the brakebeam, so to speak, through half the issue. Another article had the word "mill" for hill, "creamery" for cannery and contained so many other private brands and ear marks of the omnipresent intelligent compositor that we reprint it to-day, according

The county clerk is engaged in extending the assessment roll for the sheriff, and it will be placed in his hands in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter are expected home soon, and they will settle down to home life in the building formerly occupied by Mrs. Kortan.

Our Portland Visitors.

- Dr. Wortman, Portland.
C. A. Bexby and wife Portland.
Mrs. Durley.
M. C. Merges.
C. A. Nelly.
George H. Kaufman.
Mrs. A. R. Stringer.
Rev. E. G. Wheeler and wife, Portland.
D. F. Stanley and wife.
J. W. Sengt.
R. O. Bates.
P. C. Brown and wife.
Mrs. C. W. Miller.
Ferd Dutzel.
C. W. Miller.
Alfred Vurper, and daughter. Albina.
H. M. Beall, The Dalles.
Merle Johnson, Oregon City.
W. C. Johnson.
J. C. Reed, East Portland.
Mrs. W. C. Johnson, Oregon City.
Win. E. Burns, Portland.
O. A. Thomas and wife, Forest Grove.
M. D. Martin.
W. D. Kames.
M. E. Thomas.
D. C. Miller.
C. S. Betty, Portland.
Presl. J. F. Ellis, D. D. Forest Grove.
Carl W. Ellis.
Mrs. Josephine Ward.
Mrs. Sarah E. Miller.
Mrs. E. W. Haines.
E. F. Sox and wife, Albany.
J. L. Stratton, McMinnville.
H. J. Little, McMinnville.
Thos. B. Kay, McMinnville.
A. Field, North Dalles.
H. O. Kirkpatrick, Kansas City.
Dr. Ward and wife, Forest Grove.

The train bearing the above visitors arrived at 12:30 p. m. and an excellent dinner was at once served them at the Umattila House. As we go to press they are most of them at North Dalles examining the shoe factory and enjoying themselves generally. We will give them further notice to-morrow, only adding now that the people of The Dalles bid them hearty welcome.

Council Meeting.

Council met last night. The mayor stated that the special purpose of the meeting was to consider a communication from Frank Dekum, returning unassigned the personal indemnity bond asked for by the council at its last meeting.

The communication was read and, on motion filed.

Councilman Farley then handed the recorder a communication from Dekum and Thompson addressed to the mayor and common council of Dalles city, dated at Portland, December 13. The communication was read and filed.

A petition signed by W. Lord French & Co. and others, praying the council to accept the two deeds offered by The Dalles Mill and Water company heretofore executed, and to deliver to said company, the warrant drawn against the water fund for the purchase price, and that no further covenants be required.

The petition being read, Councilman Thornbury moved that it be received and filed.

Councilman Dufur moved to amend to read, receive the petition, file and grant the prayer of the petitioners. The amendment was accepted.

Councilman Peters stated that he would not vote for the motion, on the grounds that the deeds provided no warranty to divert the waters from the old channels.

The mayor then stated that he had disapproved the purchase of The Dalles Mill and Water company's plant at \$50,000 from the beginning; had from time to time stated and communicated to the council his reasons by message, and that he still disapproves the purchase at that price.

He said "It was apparent that his disapproval of the measure would be overruled now, as it had been heretofore, by a majority and in order that the property, if purchased, might be had at the best possible advantage, an additional deed had been asked, warranting the city in the right to divert water from the Dog river ditch, and that he would now submit to the council a copy of such covenant and a telegram from A. S. MacAllister at Portland stating that the said amended deed had been executed and delivered."

After some discussion the motion was by consent withdrawn.

It was then moved to receive and file the petition.

A resolution was then passed providing for the acceptance of the three last deeds, and the delivery of the \$50,000 warrant. The two deeds are now in the recorders office and one was executed and delivered to A. S. MacAllister to-day, at Portland. Council adjourned.

Killed His Mother.

A man calling himself John Anderson has lived in Grass Valley, near Kerr & Buckley's ranch, for the past four or five years, and has always been a steady, hard working man, but at times has acted a little queer. A month or six weeks ago he received through the land office, the money he had paid on a pre-emption claim, it being returned on account of some irregularity. With this money he purchased a ticket for Arkansas, where he goes with the cheerful expectation of being hanged, he having killed his mother there about eight years ago, and he goes back for the purpose of surrendering to the authorities and expiating his crime.

For coughs and colds use 2379.

2379 is the cough syrup for children. Lots at North Dalles at acre price.

Does S. B. get there? "I should smile." S. B.

For elegant holiday presents go to W. E. Garretson's.

Look out for the new hotel at North Dalles.

Portland capital is going in at North Dalles.

C. E. Dunham will cure your headache, cough or pain for 50 cents. S. B.

North Dalles property for a good investment.

New manufactories are going in at North Dalles.

North Dalles now is your chance before they advance.

Get me a cigar from that fine case at Snipes & Kinersley's.

Snipes & Kinersley are anxious to cure your headache for 50 cents. S. B.

Last week something like 110 lots were sold at North Dalles.

For bargains in all lines of men's wear go to MacEachern & MacLeods.

Fine watches, jewelry and silverware, the very handsomest of Christmas presents at W. E. Garretson's.

The sales of lots in North Dalles last week were big. Our best citizens are buying them.

An eastern company will equip a fine electric line running into North Dalles one mile.

You need not cough! Blakeley & Houghton will cure it for 50 cents. S. B.

We took dinner at Haight's restaurant yesterday and were surprised at him giving so good a meal for so low a price.

\$15,000.00 in Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, etc., to be sold at cost, at

MACEACHERN & MACLEODS.

Quite a party of gentlemen will come from Portland this week to look at North Dalles property with a view of large investments.

The finest stock of silverware ever brought to The Dalles at W. E. Garretson's, Second street.

Do not forget about the first annual ball to be given by the Gesang Verein (Harmony) on New Year's eve.

One of the largest tanneries west of the Mississippi river will be located at North Dalles and at least two other large institutions in the near future.

All of our Immense Stock must be sold regardless of cost, as we are closing out our business in The Dalles.

MACEACHERN & MACLEOD.

Lady Apples at Maier & Benton's. Just the thing for Christmas trees. Corner Third and Union streets.

For Holiday Goods go to E. Jacobsen & Co., 162 Second street, where you can find presents for young and old, at all prices.

For watches, jewelry and silverware, in fact for anything in the shape of a beautiful Christmas present, go to S. L. Young.

North Dalles lots are selling fast and are being taken at Portland very freely. This week promises some promising developments.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Notice is hereby given that the taxes for Dalles City are now due and payable at my office for the next thirty days. After date (December 31st, 1890.) they become delinquent. J. S. FISU, City Treas.

A Bridge to North Dalles.

There now seems no doubt but that the great bridge which is to cross the Columbia river between North Dalles and The Dalles will be built before high water is again reached as most of the money has been raised.

R. B. HOOD, Livery, Feed and Sale Stable.

Horses Bought and Sold on Commission.

OFFICE OF The Dalles & Goldendale Stage Line

Trucking and Draying. Baggage transferred to any part of the City.

OAK AND FIR WOOD FOR SALE.

W. & T. MCCOY, BARBERS.

Hot and Cold BATHS.

110 SECOND STREET.

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THE DALLES, OR.

House Painting and Decorating a specialty. No inferior and cheap work done; but good lasting work at the lowest prices.

SHOP-Adjoining Red Front Grocery, THIRD STREET.

FOR SALE.

HAVING BOUGHT THE LOGAN STABLES in East Portland, we now offer our Livery Stable business in this city for sale at a bargain.

WARD & KEENS. PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

D. G. C. ESHELMAN—HOMOPATHIC PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.—OFFICE HOURS: 9 to 12 A. M.; 1 to 4, and 7 to 8 P. M. Calls answered promptly day or night. Office: upstairs in Chapman Block.

An Indian Legend.

When the Great Spirit created the world he first made three men, all of the same color. Then he led them to a pool of water and bade them jump in and bathe. One of them, obeying at once, leaped in in advance of his fellows, and came out clean and white.

The other hesitated, but one soon followed the first. When he went in the water had become somewhat stained and he came out copper colored.

Then the third man went in. By that time the water of the pool had become black, and he was consequently black when he had bathed.

Thus it happens that there are white men, red men and black men in the world.

Then the Great Spirit laid down three packages before the three men, which contained their future fate. Out of pity for the black man he permitted him to have his first choice of the parcels.

The black man, without hesitation, took the largest of the parcels; the red man, whose turn was next, took the next largest parcel, and the white man got the remaining one, which was very small.

Then the men opened their packages. That of the black man was found to contain shovels and other implements of labor; the red man's contained bows and arrows, and the white man's small parcel consisted of pens, ink and tools for fine, light work.

From that time on each man made use of the tools he had chosen.—Cor. Youth's Companion.

New York's Ink Industry.

New York is entitled to consideration as the leading city of the Union in the manufacture of ink. Fifteen years ago English ink controlled the market. Since then the American article has been gradually pushing the British product out of the market by its superiority and excellence. There is a great difference between the wholesale and retail price of the fluid. A little bottle of ink containing two ounces, for which a person pays five cents, costs at the factory one cent. The bottles are really more valuable than the ink they contain.

The best black ink is made from the gall nut and iron. The gall nut is found in Arabia, and is about the size of a hickory nut and grows on a small, scrubby oak. A large majority of the colored inks are made from the extracts of coal tar. The most expensive colored ink used for ruling is carmine, made from the cochineal bug. The cochineal bug is raised with much care in Mexico. The dye from this bug is worth \$15 a pound. Since cochineal dye is becoming scarce ink makers are compelled to use an inferior red color from coal tar. The ten different colored inks are all made from the extract of coal tar. White ink is made for writing on black paper, but the demand for it is not very great.—New York Telegram.

A Line Throwing Gun.

Another addition to the list of recently invented life saving devices is the shoulder line throwing gun, invented by Capt. D'Arcy-Irving, of the English royal navy. The invention consists of a shoulder gun, having the cop or coil of line, suspended in a case, carried under the breech of the gun. A rod is inserted in the barrel, the fore end of the rod being connected with the end of the line, which is in the center of the cop. The line is 144 yards long, and the charge of powder used is two drams. Upon the gun being fired at a high elevation the rod is projected upward and forward, carrying the line trailing after it. The object is, of course, to land the line over the ship or other object, the rod dropping behind it. By this means a rope can be made fast to the tail end of the line by the succeeding party, and be hauled on board by those in distress.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

A Story of Schiller.

A curious incident is handed down from the boyish life of Schiller. One day, in a tremendous thunderstorm, the family gathered together in ill disguised terror. But Fritz was missing, and the father, alarmed for his safety, sought him in vain in all the rooms of the house.

He went outdoors to search for the truant, and to his surprise found him perched on a branch of a solitary tree, eagerly watching the heavens and the flashes which lighted up the gloom. He was wholly indifferent to the rain, which had wet him to the skin, and to the danger he incurred. To the sharp reproof of the father the boy replied with a glowing face:

"The lightning is so beautiful I wished to see where it came from."—Boston Herald.

Why Boys Are Fond of Nature.

I have often read in stories of boys who were fond of nature, and loved her sublimity and beauty, but I do not believe boys are ever naturally fond of nature. They want to make use of the woods and fields and rivers; and when they become men they find these aspects of nature endeared to them by association, and so they think they were dear for their own sakes, but the taste for nature is as purely acquired as the taste for poetry or the taste for tomatoes. I have often seen boys wondering at the rainbow, but it was wonder, not admiration, that moved them; and I have seen them excited by a storm, but because the storm was tremendous, not because it was beautiful.—W. D. Howells.

Corporations Were Ever the Same.

"Corporations have no souls" is a much older expression than most people imagine. It originated with Sir Edward Coke, who in the Sixteenth century was considered one of the best legal writers of the age. He says, in one of his treatises, "Corporations cannot commit trespass, nor be outlawed, nor excommunicated, for they have no souls."—Detroit Free Press.

It is a curious and inexplicable thing that a cigarette or a pipe will spoil the flavor of the best cigar that was ever made. All smokers are aware of this. A man with a cigarette can spoil the comfort of fifty cigar-smokers, and a pipe of strong tobacco will ruin the flavor of every cigar within reach.

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Look out for North Dalles! And the Latest Railroad News.

Look out for North Dalles! And Residences that'll be started this week.

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FURNITURE AND CARPETS.

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